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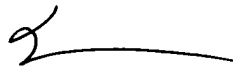
The specification has been amended to add continuing data information. No new matter has been added.

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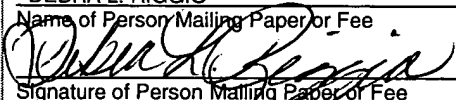
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